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By approving bids for truck and containers

Elba City Council moves one step closer to returning to garbage pickup business

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council voted on Monday, October 24th to move forward with getting back into the garbage pickup business.

The vote was not a direct up or down vote on getting back into the service, but acceptance of the low bid on a garbage truck and the purchase of 486 new Roll Away garbage containers. The odd number of containers was determined to be the amount of an even truck load, the most economical way to buy the containers.

The change over time for this action will be determined by the actual delivery date of the new truck. The successful bidder qualified the bid as a stock truck waiting on delivery of the specialized garbage body.

The lone bid on the garbage truck with the packer body was \$95,956. Action Truck Center of Dothan was the successful bidder. The bid on the new containers was \$23,328 or \$48 each. They are manufactured in Illinois.

It was explained that the City is negotiating with Waste Away to purchase the household containers now in use at their depre-

ciated value of less than \$5,000.

With Mayor James Grimes out of town at a meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Hammond presided. He recommended the council approve the Friday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 25, as an official employee holiday, a policy which has been followed annually for several years. The council approved the recommendation. All City of Elba departments except police and other emergency services will be closed from Wednesday evening until Monday morning.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham advised council members and the press that work would begin soon on demolishing the auditorium and abutting sections of the old high school. He explained that during this time it

would be dangerous for anyone to be on the site. Therefore "Keep Out" or "No Trespassing" signs would be erected and strictly enforced. This will be effective when work is in progress and also when work is not in progress and until the clean up project is completed. Therefore citizens will not be able to salvage bricks and other building materials from the site.

Grantham also reviewed specifics of the new Municipal Trash Ordinance. He noted that trash must now be divided into categories: Tree limbs, leaves, etc. in one pile; Metal and white goods (appliances) in another

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Everett announces \$103,550 grant for Elba Fire Department

Congressman Terry Everett, R-Rohobeth, has announced the approval of a \$103,550 Federal firefighter grant for the Elba Fire Department.

"I'm pleased to announce the award of this substantial Federal funding which will enhance the preparedness of the Elba Fire Department in serving the community," Congressman Everett said.

"The \$103,550 Operations and Firefighter Safety funding comes from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Fire Administration under the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant Program which is funded by Congress. Operations and Firefighter Safety grants cover local fire department training and equipment needs as well as upgrades to fire stations," Everett observed.

"I wish to congratulate the Elba Fire Department for their dedication to protect the community and I look forward to the release of this important funding to assist them in their efforts."

ALABAMA ATTORNEY GENERAL TROY KING VISITS HIS HOMETOWN... It was Thursday, Oct. 20, and Attorney General Troy King was in Elba telling the home folks that he was an active Republican candidate for a full four year term in 2006. King was appointed to an unexpired term by Governor Bob Riley after incumbent Bill Prior was named to a federal judgeship. The event was centered around a free barbecue meal, sponsored by the Coffee County Republican Woman. Above King and a former elementary school teacher, Mrs. June Hamm, share fond memories of his days in her classroom. King gives this now retired teacher and the many other outstanding public school teachers who taught him much of the credit for his successes in life. After personally greeting each person in the large outpouring of well wishers with handshakes and hugs, Attorney General King addressed the group and promised to uphold the laws of Alabama and the nation. He also singled out law enforcement officers present and commended them and their peers all across the state for putting their lives on the line to protect the citizens of Alabama.



CHAMBER WELCOMES NEW BOUTIQUE... The Elba Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed the owners of Just Because to business Thursday afternoon, Oct. 6, when dignitaries gathered for a ribbon cutting ceremony. The unique retail shop was recently opened by Rev. Charles and Barbara Tompkins and offers "something for all occasions." Just Because is located at 417 W. Davis Street near the downtown square in Elba. Those attending the ribbon cutting ceremony included (from left): Ashton Grimes, Junior Miss Elba Christina Bryant, Eva Medlock, Rev. Charles Tompkins, Elba Mayor James Grimes, Eddie Vaughan, Doris Matthews, Lynn Baker, Laurie Chapman, Future Little Miss Elba Brayton Martin, Denise and Collin Sauls, Little Miss Elba Caitlin Bradshaw, Renee Bradshaw and Kaye Whitworth - executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce.



MEMBERS OF THE ELBA FIRE DEPARTMENT responded Monday afternoon, Oct. 31, to the scene of a house fire at 1908 County Road 349 north of Elba. A 911 call reporting the fire was received by dispatchers shortly after 3 p.m. Monday afternoon. According to the report, smoke was visible. Upon arriving on scene, firefighters quickly found the fire inside the home and began extinguishing the flames. While moderate damage was sustained to the inside of the home, firefighters were able to contain the blaze before it completely destroyed the structure. Also responding to the scene were units from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and Coffee County EMS. Reportedly, no one was at home when the fire began, therefore, no injuries were reported from this incident.

Local study club shows support for Down Syndrome group

Last year, New Seasons Study Club member Anne Cline had a son, Joseph Cline, who was born with Down Syndrome.

Anne and her husband, Joel, immediately began searching for a support group that served the wiregrass area. They were unable to find such a group, so they began to make plans to create one.

The Down Syndrome Fellowship Meal is held monthly in Dothan at Ridgecrest Baptist Church, which has generously donated their facilities for the group to meet.

"The group is for anyone who has down syndrome and for all of us that love them," said Anne.

Families, therapists and friends of people with Down Syndrome are usual participants. Those who attend each bring a covered dish. The group averages 15 - 50 participants each month.

NOTICE

Tickets for the Elba vs. Southern Choctaw playoff game are on sale at the Elba High School office. All tickets are \$7.

Directions to Silas: Take Hwy. 84 West to Hwy. 17 North. The stadium is approximately five miles on the left. Game time is 7 p.m.



Julie Holley, president of New Seasons Study Club of Elba, and Anne Cline, club member and founder of the Down Syndrome Fellowship Meal, are shown showcasing the books that were purchased with funds provided by the Study Club for the lending library.

The group whose emphasis is fellowship and support, provides a place for sharing, growing, building friendships, a place to trade ideas, and a haven for shell-shocked new parents whose world is temporarily upside down.

One of the things that Anne is currently trying to build is a "Lending Library" that has all kinds of Down Syndrome related titles.

Since one of the rules for the Down Syndrome Fellowship Meal is that no one is ever charged any fees or dues, purchasing all of the materials that are desired for the library has presented a challenge. So, when Anne came to deliver a program

to the members of the New Seasons Study Club of Elba on what she was working on with her group, the club voted unanimously to provide funds in the amount of \$250 to be used specifically to help stock the lending library.

"We also have a 'Swap-Shop' that includes therapy aids, toys that have helped our children achieve milestones, articles and publications of interest - all donated by participants," said Cline.

At the regular club meeting Tuesday, Oct. 18, of the Study Club, Anne showcased the books to the club that she was able to purchase with the funds provided.

Some of the books are written for the children themselves, showing pictures of other children that also have Down Syndrome. There are also books written for siblings of people with Down Syndrome.

Other books are geared toward the parents and serve as informational resources or books of inspiration. There are also videos and a few novels with Down Syndrome characters.

"This lending library provides another avenue for education, support and ultimately a foundation to help launch people with Down Syndrome to their fullest potential," Cline said. "If you are ever in Dothan around 6:30 p.m. the first Friday of the month, drop by Ridgecrest Baptist Church. The food is good, the fellowship is great, and the laughter is infectious!"

For more information on the Down Syndrome Fellowship Meal or to make a donation of your own, please contact Anne Cline at 334-897-1550.

Area Happenings

THE 2005 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON enters the first round of playoffs this week with three area teams in action. The Elba Tigers will travel to Southern Choctaw, the Zion Chapel Rebels will travel to Milby and the Brantley Bulldogs will host J.U. Blacksher. Kickoff for all games is set for 7 p.m.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL PAGEANTS will be held Friday, Nov. 4, at 6 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium. Practices will be held Thursday, Nov. 3, at 6 p.m. This is not a mandatory practice; however, those not attending should submit the bio sheet and entry fee prior to this practice so a number can be drawn for the contestants. The queens and runners-up will be invited to ride in the Christmas Parade on Saturday, Nov. 26, at 4:30 p.m. The line-up will be behind the old high school and will begin at 4 p.m. For children under the age of 4, an adult will need to accompany the child on the float. Also, the Chamber asks that no one other than Santa throw candy during the parade. For questions, contact Starla Amison at 897-8301 after 4 p.m. (no call at work) or the Chamber office at 897-3125.

IN HONOR OF THE SACRIFICES MADE BY VETERANS, the City of Enterprise is hosting a Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony, sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 9, will take place at the Wall of Freedom Monument which is located in the Enterprise Recreational Complex on Hwy 167 North. The public is invited to attend.

BRAINSTORMS

with Fern Cox

"The date for enrolling in our 2 week degree program is ending on Friday, November 18th, 2005. As of now we can only offer you a BA, BS, or a MA. If you enroll by the due date then your degree of choice and transcripts can be sent to you within 2 weeks." This is part of an actual e-mail received earlier in the week. These folks will apparently issue college degrees (after money changes hand) in a very, very short time. A prime example of what has been dubbed as a "diploma mill." These things are worthless and can get a user in real trouble and/or fired if the records are ever double checked. Besides, it is an insult to those who actually toil, study and work two part time jobs to earn their college degree(s).

America now has another U. S. Supreme court judge candidate on the hot seat. With the drop out last week of candidate Harriet Miers, President Bush moved fast to submit another name. Judge Samuel Alito appears to be the darling of the strong conservatives but has the flaming liberals - well they are on fire. Down here in the branch-head it is hard to know which would be better for the country - over the long haul. However, if the Democrats had not sat back and watched the Republican base support for Miers splinter away, they might not be facing a man they apparently consider a real hard core conservative. But then the game in Washington has become an automatic battle against "their candidates", be it Democrats or Republicans doing the nominating and/or opposing. Each side is taking a stand "for the people" yet more and more we wonder if either side has a clue what "the people" really want or need?

The migration routes of wild birds traveling from countries where the deadly H5N1 strain of bird flu virus has been detected, including Russia, Greece and Europe, has health officials worried, all over the world. Hopefully the more optimistic experts are correct in predicting America is relatively safe in this migration concern. Now, another example of the extremists in the world and/or on the internet is this group sending us regular e-mails "proving" that the Bush administration orchestrated the horrible 9/11 bombings which destroyed the World Trade Center and damaged the Pentagon, killing thousands of people. Now the same group is spewing more of their brand of poison. This time they are claiming the Bush administration is responsible for the bird flu in Asia, etc. Don't ask us to explain their logic. After a few tries at understanding them, we don't even bother to read the story they send . . . the headlines are enough to warn us of the unfounded wild claims which follow.

A 15-year-old Lawrence County High School boy was charged with murder in the killing of a 55-year-old Moon, Ala. teacher who was beaten, robbed and left for dead at the school where she worked. The teacher died Sunday from the beating last Wednesday. We first heard the news of the severe beating on the tube Wednesday night and our heart skipped several beats. Our family has a long time friend who is a Moulton elementary teacher, about that age, and also works after others have gone home, etc. A horrible picture of Kathy lying on that classroom floor instantly flashed through our mind. A selfish thank goodness that it wasn't our friend, but one of her friends, doesn't make it easier for the family and friends of the victim. It will probably cause many, many teachers to refigure the time they have left before qualifying for retirement. We think our friend said back in the summer that both sons have their Masters degrees and are working, therefore she had two more years and out. The hearing of her fall-on-work will surely cause a hearing. The court scheduled this 23 year retirement action to the 15 year old boy will have self mother good, caring teacher.

"DON'T WEEP"

By Wanda Barfield

Don't weep for me my child on earth
When I shall leave this world
For right beside me guiding-leading
Were Angels in a whirl.
Don't worry that I feared to face
This dreaded thing called death
For into my soul and body restored
The angels breathed new breath.
Don't weep for me because I'm gone
For I certainly am not sad
For up above I soar in glory
Not mourning what I had.
Don't weep for me my child on earth
Come with me when you're done
For I will wait and watch for you
With each day's setting sun!

The Family of Rea Parrish Young would like to thank everyone for your thoughtfulness and acts of kindness during our time of loss. We would also like to express our sincere appreciation to the Elba Nursing Home Staff and Luncie K. Dyess, the Staff of Taylor Oaks Assistant Living and Kenneth & Katrina Calhoun, and Whitewater Baptist Church for their love, care and prayers. Many thanks to Mothers special friends that have supported her during these past months.

The Family of Rea Parrish Young
Anne, Jan, Sue and Harry

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EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, October 24, 2005, investigated the following incidents: two for domestic violence, two for harassing communications, two for harassment, one assault, one child custody, one burglary, one family dispute and one criminal trespassing.

The following arrests were made: eight arrests on warrant.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: four for no insurance, four for speeding, one for loud music, one for a suspended driver's license and one for not wearing a seat belt.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:
MONDAY, OCT. 24 - Possible prowler reported at Powell Trailer Park, Lot 1 (12:31 a.m.). Possible prowler reported in the area of 716 Claxton Ave. (3:09 a.m.). River stage - 5.80 feet (7:08 a.m.). Accident reported on E. Davis St. (7:32 p.m.).

TUESDAY, OCT. 25 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck at the intersection of Hwy. 167 and County Rd. 216 (6:59 a.m.). River stage - 5.40 feet (7:00 a.m.). Fight (not in progress) reported at Beaver Dam Apts. (3:32 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to the

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Environment quality
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sign-up announced

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is taking applications for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). EQIP is a voluntary program that provides assistance to farmers and ranchers to help them conserve their land, water, air, and related natural resources on their land. Persons engaged in livestock or agricultural production are eligible for the program. Eligible land includes cropland, pasture, private non-industrial forest land, and other farm or ranch lands. NRCS works with the participant to develop a conservation plan that identifies problems, land use objectives, and planned practices.

This plan becomes the basis of the cost-share agreement between NRCS and the participant. NRCS provides cost-share payments to landowners under these agreements that can be up to 10 years in duration.

Persons interested in entering into a cost-share agreement for EQIP assistance may file an application at any time. The date of the first batching period for state-wide concerns is December 15, 2005. The date of the first batching period for local concerns is January 1, 2006.

For more information about the program, contact your local NRCS office at the Farm Service Center in New Brockton or call 334-894-5581, ext. 3.

scene of a trailer fire at 5322 County Rd. 305 (2:41 p.m.). Elba Fire Department dispatched to mutual aid at the scene of the trailer fire at 5322 County Rd. 305 (3:17 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26 - River stage - 7.38 feet (7:53 a.m.). THURSDAY, OCT. 27 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1503 Edgewood (10:38 a.m.).

FRIDAY, OCT. 28 - Wreck reported on Court St. at the adult senior center (11:10 p.m.). Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (11:42 p.m.).

SATURDAY, OCT. 29 - River stage - 6.99 feet (7:50 a.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 529 County Rd. 102 (9:26 a.m.). Elba Fire Department dispatched to a wreck on Hickman Ave. (5:06 p.m.).

SUNDAY, OCT. 30 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 3821 County Rd. 306 (12:58 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 16140 Hwy. 125 (1:09 p.m.). Domestic disturbance (not in progress) reported at 706 Putnam St. (2:13 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 706 Putnam St. (2:17 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2210 Taylor Mill Road (6:03 p.m.). Disturbance reported at 1826 Woodland Dr. (8:25 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2301 County Rd. 420 (9:34 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 611 Jackson Ave. (9:57 p.m.).

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Sam Cooper (right) was presented with a past president plaque at the Elba Kiwanis Club Officers Installation Thursday, Oct. 20. The new officers are: Tim Gunnells, president; Scott Kelley, vice president; Kay Wilson, treasurer; and Nell Gilmer, secretary. The Elba Kiwanis Club meets the first and third Thursday of each month, 7 a.m., at the Ranch House. New members are welcome. Contact Tim Gunnells at 897-2507 or Nell Gilmer at 897-1255. Shown above with Cooper is current club president Tim Gunnells.

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Obituaries

MATTIE PEARL RODGERS
Ms. Mattie Pearl Rodgers, age 63, died Oct. 24, 2005.

Funeral services were held Oct. 27, 2005 at Grove Missionary Baptist Church with Elder J. C. Rodgers officiating. Burial followed at Bethlehem Church Cemetery, Elba, with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include two daughters: Tiffany (Stephen) Germany, Gayhina (Jeff) Crawford; four sisters and three brothers: Estella (MC) Lawrence, Joseph (Annie) Rodgers, Lady Byrd Rodgers, Moses (Lucy Mae) Rodgers, Shelia (Wilford) Knox, Peggy (Tony) Craig, J.C. (Juanita) Rodgers and Adam Rodgers; a special friend, John Venable, the father of her children; and three grandchildren.

JEAN CROOK
Mrs. Jean Crook, age 77, of Opelika, Ala., died Monday, Oct. 24, 2005 at East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika.

Funeral services were held Oct. 29, 2005 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Reverend Ron Stallard officiating. Burial followed in the Zora Church Cemetery with Rev. Lovell Martin officiating.

Ms. Daniels was preceded in death by her half sister, Velma Coleman. Survivors include three daughters: Melinda Hilde, Springfield, Va., Teresa Mora, Auburn, Ala., Kim Zargarian, San Diego, Calif.; three sons: Harry Crook, Chattanooga, Tenn., Ricky Crook, Ooltewah, Ala.; a sister: June Harrison, Enterprise, Ala.; a brother: Glenn Blair, Lakeland, Fla.; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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SCHOOLS



Tiger Tales

Editors:
Shawanna Wright
& Melanie Mularz

by Shawanna Whitfield

This week we highlight Chase W. Boutwell.

Chase is the 16-year-old son of Keith and Brenda Boutwell. He's involved in FFA, VICA, Senior Beta, Mu Alpha Theta, Varsity Football, EHS Ambassador and a member of Basin Baptist Church.

Chase enjoys fishing, playing football, and baseball. After high school he plans to attend



Chase W. Boutwell

Elba Elementary School Menu

November 7 - 11, 2005

BREAKFAST

Monday - Blueberry Muffin, Cheese, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Waffles/Syrup, Link Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Eggs, Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - School Holiday - Veterans Day

LUNCH

Monday - Hamburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk
Tuesday - Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Bread, 1/4 Apple, Milk
Wednesday - Fishburger, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Milk
Thursday - Chicken Wiggle, Corn, Butterbeans, 1/2 Orange, Milk
Friday - School Holiday - Veterans Day

Lady Tiger volleyball team completes successful season

The Elba High Lady Tiger Volleyball team recently completed one of its most successful seasons ever by winning the Class 2A, Area 3 championship and winning two matches at the Class 2A region tournament.

The Lady Tigers hosted the area tournament and was victorious, with three straight wins to claim the championship. The wins came over Samson (twice) and Wicksburg, and the Lady Tigers were dominant as they failed to lose a single game in the three matches.

The region tournament was held in Daphne, Ala., at Bayside



2005 Elba High School Lady Tiger Volleyball Team

Academy, and the Lady Tigers posted wins over Highland Home and G. W. Long before being eliminated.

Even though the Lady Tigers

fell short of their goal to make an appearance at the state tournament, they did add a rich chapter to the volleyball history at Elba High. This year's team

won the area tourney; won two games at region; won 21 matches; and posted regular season wins over 6A Enterprise, 4A Andalusia, 4A Opp, and 1A power Providence Christian.

Since Enterprise and Providence Christian advanced to state, there can be no doubt the Lady Tigers were a state caliber team.

Great Job, Lady Tigers, on a very successful season!

Juniors begin magazine sales/grad ads still available for seniors

by Christina Bryant

Juniors began magazine sales Oct. 17th, so if you have not renewed your subscriptions to your favorite magazines, please notify a junior or Kathy Pattie. Each junior is expected to reach a \$225 quota. A full 40% of all magazine sales go toward the prom.

Attention ALL Seniors and Parents, the Elba High School

Show Your Support for the Elba Tigers... Make the trip to Southern Choctaw!!

Miss Elba Kendall Stinson competes in Peanut Festival pageant

2005 Miss Elba Kendall Stinson competed recently at the National Peanut Festival pageant and represented her hometown and fellow citizens with pride and honor.

Stinson, placed in the "Portfolio" competition, and took part in a busy week of activities, along with other queens from across the Wiregrass area.

When asked about her experience as Miss Elba and the pageant, she stated, "My experience at the Peanut Festival was great. I met many new friends who have invited me into their homes and dorms at college. I still keep in touch with several of them. Many of them live near Elba. Peanut was very time-consuming but was worth every minute. It was a unique opportunity that has given me friends and memories that I will cherish forever."

When asked about the preparations, she had a lot to say. "We would practice about six times a month, which does not seem



Kendall Stinson

much at all but it was all-consuming. Preparations including having evening gowns and two suits. Every item I took with me must be labeled, even your toothbrush. We had to draw a word from a bowl on stage and elaborate on it for one minute. We also had two interviews: one panel lasting 5 minutes, and one personal interview lasting 3 minutes.

There were many sacrifices

that Kendall had to deal with during her three days away. "During the three days of the Peanut Pageant, we were not able to have cell phones or any electronics. If we saw someone, we knew when going to eat anywhere, we could not speak to him or her at all. Security guards were with us at all times. People were constantly taking pictures and the media continued to have full coverage of us the whole time."

Kendall's final quotes were, "God gave me this opportunity for a purpose and my goal was to fulfill that purpose, whatever it was. I have been blessed with my family and friends that have continued to encourage and support me throughout the pageant. I took this opportunity as a chapter in my life that must be read but not taken for granted. I pray each day that God will continue to allow me to have opportunities just like this one."

Congratulations Kendall! You are truly an asset to the school and our community.

SCHOOLS

FROM THE COCKPIT

New Brockton School News

Sponsor: Lori Cotney



2005 NEW BROCKTON HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING COURT - (L-R) Senior Attendant Ashlie Caylor, Senior Attendant Hilary Mock, Sophomore Attendant Ashley Anderson, Queen Nicole Garrison, Junior Attendant Valerie Hutcherson, Freshman Attendant Kelli O'Neal, Junior Attendant Natalie Mahan.



Freshmen Kayla Farno (left) and Chelsea Dempsey (right) enjoy decorating their wall for ABC, which won first place.



Darryl Worley introduces Tye Wurf. An excited audience was in complete surprise at his guest appearance.



7th graders CMT skit began with Crazy Cooler and Bo and Luke Duke from the Dukes of Hazzard.



Kendall Persin and Malory Meissner show off their fros during "That 70s Show" dress-up day.



Freshman Anna Beth Sawyer dresses up for "That 70s Show."



Senior John Sawyer and teacher Staci Rountree were back for the third straight year as the hilarious and awkward Spartan Cheerleaders.



Tye Wurf takes time to pose with several members of the Gamecock football team.



Female faculty members entertained the crowd with their own special version of the Conga.

New Brockton celebrates Homecoming

On Friday, Oct. 21, New Brockton High School held its annual homecoming celebration.

This year the stars were on hand to join in the celebration with the students, faculty, and community as they participated in skits and entertainment centered around the theme, "WNBHS: Season Finale". After a week full of decorating, practicing, and dressing goofy, the students and teachers entertained the crowd with music and comedic acts.

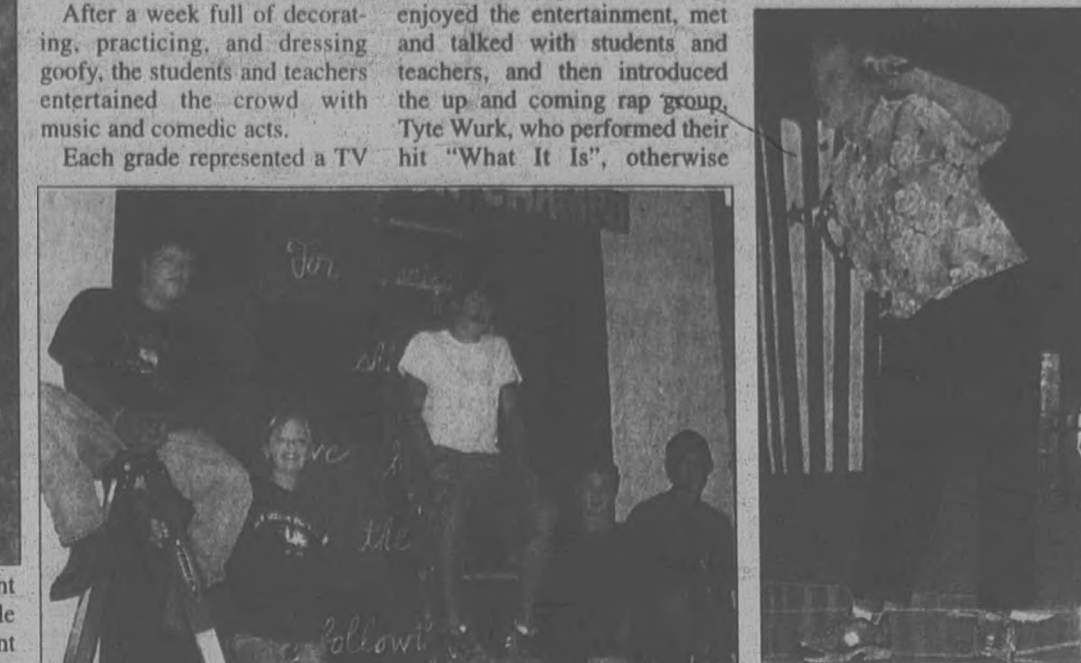
Each grade represented a TV

Network, and competed for the honor of an Emmy. Six judges evaluated each network's skit and wall, and the winners were as follows: Skits - 1st: Seniors, 2nd: Sophomores, 3rd: 7th & 8th. Wall - 1st: Freshmen, 2nd: Seniors, 3rd: 7th Grade.

NBHS was very excited to have country music singer Darryl Worley present. Worley enjoyed the entertainment, met and talked with students and teachers, and then introduced the up and coming rap group, Tye Wurf, who performed their hit "What It Is", otherwise

known as the "Gamecock Song". They got the crowd really going, and then generously signed autographs for about two hours.

It was an exciting and special homecoming for the Gamecocks this year. The events and people involved have made this homecoming one that we will always remember.



The Sophomores presented their NBC wall with creativity. The crowd loved Sawyer Whitaker as William Hung performing "She Bangs" in the 8th grade American Idol on Fox skit.

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Bullard Excavating, Inc. 10-13, 20, 27 & 11-03 chg.

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Modernization Number: ALO9-P107-501-03 at Elba for the Housing Authority of the City of Elba, Owner(s), and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify The Architectural Office of the City of Elba, 308 S. Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104. Trawick Contractors Inc. 4740 Powell Ave Birmingham, AL 35222 10/13, 20, 27 & 11/3 chg.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed to DeepGreen Bank on January 18, 2002, by Bettie Dean Herring, a married man, and recorded in AVOFFER 61A, Page 238 et seq., in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, the undersigned, as Mortgagee or Transferee, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in the said mortgage will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in front of the main entrance of the Coffee County, Alabama, Courthouse in the City of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, on November 8, 2005, during the legal hours of sale the following real estate situated in Coffee County, Alabama, to wit: Beginning at the point of intersection of the flare marker on the South right-of-way line of County Highway 82 and the West right-of-way line of the New Hope-Roeton Highway and running thence South 47 degrees 45' East along said flare a distance of 138.3 feet to a point on the West right-of-way line of the New Hope-Roeton Highway; thence South 8 degrees 31' East along said right-of-way line a distance of 262.6 feet to a point; thence South 88 degrees 08' East along a fence line a distance of 376.0 feet to a point; thence North 40 degrees 36' West a distance of 73.9 feet to a point; thence North 27 degrees 10' West a distance of 77.10 feet

to a point; thence North 59 degrees 17' 36" East along a fence line a distance of 352.28 feet to a point; thence North 9 degrees 06' West a distance of 59.6 feet to a point on the South right-of-way line of County Highway 82; thence North 86 degrees 29' 14" East along said right-of-way line a distance of 24.42 feet to the point of beginning and containing 2,342 acres, more or less. Said land lying in and being a part of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of the Township 7 North, Range 22 East, Coffee County, Alabama.

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IN RE THE ESTATE OF ROBERT STEVE HINES, deceased CASE NO. PC 2004-82 NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE Sybil Hines, as Administratrix/Personal Representative of said estate having filed an application for the sale of real estate for payment of debts and division of the proceeds; and said real estate being located in the Elba Division of Coffee County, Alabama, described as follows: The NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 9, Township 6 North, Range 20 East, containing 40 acres of land, more or less. Petitioner's application for sale of real estate shall be heard in the Coffee County Probate Office at Elba, Alabama on November 29, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. All persons interested in said real estate or interested in purchasing the same are invited to attend. DATED this 1st day of November 2005. William O. Gammill, Probate Judge 11-3, 10, & 17 chg.

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SPORTS

Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our girls have always liked home made soups and chili, and when our oldest found out she had missed out on a big pot of chili early in the week, she made plans to come home Sunday afternoon just to get a few bowls of Mom's home made vegetable soup. The cool weather may be hard on the body, but it can result in some warm meals around the Mularz kitchen.

ELBA TIGERS FIZZLE IN REGULAR SEASON FINALE

The Elba Tigers found out how some of their out-matched opponents felt Friday night in a 55-7 setback to Pike County. The Tigers fell behind 28-0 in the first quarter against the undefeated Bulldogs and never came close to staging a rally as the Bulldogs' defense harassed the Elba backs and receivers throughout the night and limited the explosive Tiger offense to barely over one-hundred yards in total offense and only one touchdown. Elba managed only one yard rushing on 19 carries, with quarterback Brandon Kelley being knocked around for a negative 18 yards. The Tigers had little better success with the pass as Kelley connected only five times in 24 attempts for 119 yards and one score. Over on defense the Tigers were also over-matched as they allowed the Bulldogs to roll up over 500 yards in total offense and gave up almost ten yards a carry on 49 running plays. Coach Scott Rials had convinced his players and many Elba fans the Tigers had a chance to knock off the Bulldogs with his mid-week optimism, but realism set in very early Friday night and as expected the Tigers never even had a chance.

MOST AREA TEAMS ENJOY WEEK #10 CONTESTS

The high school regular season drew to a close last week and it was a good week for area teams as only one team fell to defeat. Here's a quick look back....

*** **NEW BROCKTON (6-4)** - The Gamecocks made it look easy in a 46-0 win over Kinston and once again recorded a winning season. The Gamecocks lost three straight games midway in the season that eliminated them from playoff contention, but bounced back in their final two games and showed once again that football is a business over at New Brockton, and that it is a business that is still doing just fine.

*** **ZION CHAPEL (6-4)** - The Rebels made easy work of J.F. Shields in a 47-0 romp and will enter this week's playoffs on a high after continuing their late-season surge. The Rebels struggled early in the season and were only one loss away from missing out on the post-season party. However, the men from Jack just continued to work hard and stuck with their game plan of running the football as they ran their way into the playoffs and logged a winning record.

*** **BRANTLEY (9-1)** - The Bulldogs closed out the regular season with their ninth-straight win as they defeated Luverne 19-14. The Bulldogs trailed their cross-county rivals at the half, but took charge in the final two quarters and showed once again they are a power in high school football. Brantley will find its path through the playoffs littered with some very tough obstacles, but the Bulldogs know what it takes to win and seems to always come through when it counts the most.

*** **KINSTON (4-6)** - The Bulldogs dropped a 46-0 setback to New Brockton to end the season and ended the '05 campaign with a 4-6 record. While a four win season may not seem like a success, it was huge for the Bulldogs as they bounced back from a year's one win season and proved to themselves that they can indeed compete in football, and more than that, win. After this season there can be little doubt the Bulldogs are back as a team to watch on the gridiron.

FINAL WEEK OF REGULAR SEASON WAS INTERESTING

The final week of the regular season in high school football used to be filled with blow outs as the teams with playoff aspirations always tried to schedule easy wins to give their starters a rest. That wasn't the case last week as several games were exciting for the fans, coaches and players. Here are just a few....

*** Charles Henderson rallied from a 20-0 halftime deficit to stun 8th ranked Jess Lanier 27-20. The Trojans missed out on the playoffs and posted a disappointing 4-5 record, but the big win over the highly-ranked Purple Tigers should ease some of the pain and get the Trojans ready to begin working toward next season.

*** Geneva County claimed only its second win of the season with a 45-22 win over Pleasant Home, and the youthful Bulldogs should also get a much needed shot of confidence out of the win. The Bulldogs struggled throughout the season and were short on players due to injuries, but put it all back together in its season finale and will close out the season with a good feeling about the future....

*** Carroll put the finishing touches on a 7-3 season with a 34-27 win over Winless Dale County. The Eagles ran up and down the field almost at will and the outcome was never in doubt. However, the winless Warriors never gave up and made the Eagles play for all four quarters in a game that was expected to be over by halftime.

*** Eufaula put the wraps on a perfect 10-0 season by posting a 21-7 win on the road over 6A Jeff Davis. The Tigers struggled a season ago and many Eufaula fans wondered if their team could win without popular head coach Shane Warden. Those questions have now been answered and it looks like the Tigers are in good hands and may have even better days ahead.

*** Geneva closed out a 9-1 campaign with an easy 35-14 win over Stranahan in a game that featured two teams heading for the playoffs. The Panthers have been a power in the 4A ranks for years and have shown no signs of slipping, while the Tigers closed the regular season with a 6-4 slate and have to be looking ahead for a return to their glory days.

*** Andalusia closed out a very successful season with a big 48-14 win over Opp. The Bulldogs have turned the corner and are once again a team to keep an eye on in the high school ranks, while the Bobcats ended the season with a disappointing 1-9 record and will go through the winter wondering how to turn things back around.

*** Enterprise slipped past Lanier 21-18 and didn't exactly look in post-season form with the narrow win over the lowly Poets. The Wildcats got off to a fast start and were being mentioned as a possible 6A contender. However, in recent weeks the 'Cats have taken a few steps backwards and are now just another team in the hunt.

*** and, both Dothan and Northview closed out their seasons with losses as the (4-6) Cougars were clobbered by Stanhope 54-14 and the (3-7) Tigers fell to Spain Park 42-24. The days of the Dothan teams being 6A powers are long since gone and now the only thing the teams can find to brag about are wins over each other.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH...

*** The Kinston Lady Bulldogs fell one win short of making it to the championship match at the Class 1A State Volleyball Tournament, but the Lady Bulldogs did set a school record with 51 wins and set the bar higher than ever for future Kinston teams when they take the court. Coach Janie Wiggins has made Kinston a household word for many years and one has to believe that another state title can't be far away. Great job girls, you made the

entire county proud.

*** Auburn's Coach Tommy Tuberville decided the take on the big boys of college football last week when he blasted ESPN during a speech in Montgomery. The Auburn coach stated "ESPN has gotten so much power lately it's kinda scary. And most of their analysts are coaches who haven't won any games. That's why they're there. I think you know who I am talking about." He also criticized former South Carolina coach Les Miles and stated "And Les Miles gets on there and talks about what a team has to do to win that game, and the guy couldn't beat anybody in our conference. ESPN, I'll tell you, I don't have much to do with them anymore." Hmmm, my guess would be the guys over at ESPN may not have much to do with Coach Tuberville or his team this season, either.

*** A veteran central New Jersey high school football coach resigned last week after being told by school officials he could no longer lead his team in a pregame prayer. The coach, at East Brunswick High School, was told that some parents had complained about prayers the coach had initiated at pregame meals and before the games. After being told he would have to stop leading or taking part in the prayers, the coach stepped down. According to school officials the prayers violated the separation between church and state, and a spokesman for the school stated students had the right to pray on school property during school events, but the prayer had to be initiated by the students.

*** Alabama and Auburn both had easy wins last weekend over lesser opponents and should both win this week as they continue their march toward the big showdown on the plains. The Crimson Tide did score a few points after its two-week offensive vacation, while over at Auburn the Tigers did just what it took to win and little else. Hey, at least they both claimed wins, which is more than Troy can say.

*** In closing... The junior high basketball season is underway and one of the hottest teams around in early-season action are the Kinston Bulldogs. The Bulldogs of Coach Charles Edwards have posted big wins over any and all challengers and appear ready to make big news. Coach Edwards spent last season over in the Middle East on duty. So, I guess the pressures that go along with coaching are a nice way to relax after spending 18 months in the desert.

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PICKS PLAYOFFS

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator stopped by the office early Sunday morning and stated he was excited about the upcoming high school football playoffs and was ready to pack the car and head out. The local guest hit on 25 of his 28 picks last week to close out the regular season with a 246-45 record, and for the first time in years seems ready to enter the post-season party brimming with confidence. Oh well, here goes....

In 2A playoff opener

Tigers face undefeated Southern Choctaw

The Elba Tigers will have to put on their traveling shoes Friday night when they make a trip across the state to battle the undefeated top-ranked Southern Choctaw Indians in the opening round of the Class 2A high school football playoffs.

The Tigers will carry a 5-5 record into the opening round clash, while the Indians will bring a 10-0 record.

Elba closed out its regular season last week with a 55-7 setback to 3A Pike County, and the Tigers will have to put the pain of the lopsided loss aside this week as they prepare to meet yet another undefeated

opponent.

The Tigers will rely on the senior leadership of quarterback Brandon Kelley in the playoff opener, and will be looking for Kelley to bounce back from a 5 for 24 outing last week and a quick return to form that has seen him pass for almost 2,000 yards this season. Elba has a trio of speedy receivers in LaRay Williams, Mason Gully, and Reymar Rogers and a big back in Kikko Logan, giving the Tigers an offense that can score from anywhere on the field at any time.

"This may be the fastest team in its ninth straight trip to the state

playoffs and the Indians have

hopes of taking home their fourth state championship in the past seven years. The Indians were expected to field one of their best teams in years this season with 17 starters returning from last year's 10-3 squad, and they will enter this week's play-off opener ranked #1 in the state after posting wins over Choctaw County 41-8, Flomaton 51-0, Georgiana 45-18, Excel 45-13, Millry 41-6, Red Level 26-7, Bayside 35-14, Leroy 20-0, Washington County 53-19 and W.S. Neal 20-18.

"This may be the fastest team we've ever had," said Indian

coach Larry Boykin in a pre-season interview. "We've got 16 players that can run a 4.7 in the 40 or better and we are going to have to rely on our speed because we're never big." Tailback Marty Frost and full-back John Pasley, both with 4.4 speed, have been the top guns on offense during the season, while the line has been anchored by Brandon Anderson, a 6-3, 215-pound offensive tackle and defensive end. Others that have had outstanding seasons are running backs Dexter Williamson, Shannon Dozier and Jay Johnson, along with quarterback Brandon McGee.



LADY BULLDOGS IN ACTION.... A Kinston Lady Bulldog goes high for a return in recent volleyball action. Kinston lost in the semifinals last week at the state volleyball tournament and closed out the season with a 51-5 record and a third place finish in the state. (Photo by Laura Baxley)

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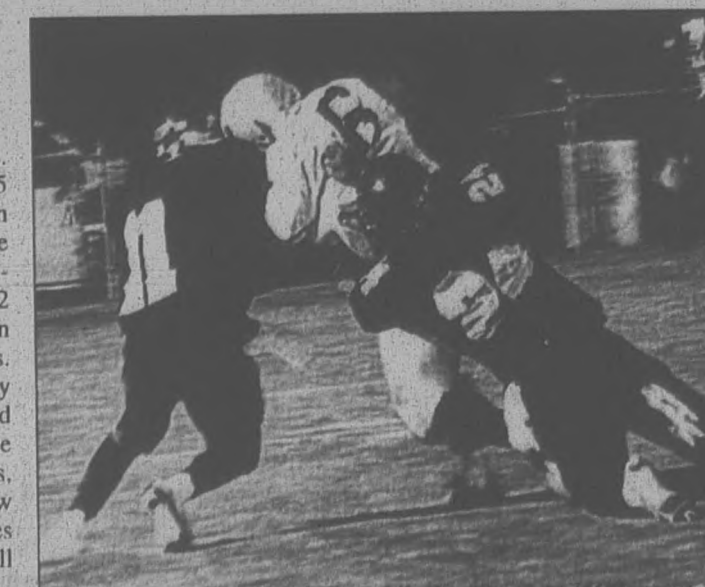
Elba Tiger defensive tackle Chase W. Boutwell (74) drags down a Pike County runner for a short gain in last week's 55-7 setback to the unbeaten Bulldogs.



Elba Tiger quarterback Brandon Kelley (10) rolls out and tries to spot a receiver last week in the Tigers' final regular season game of the season.



Senior Drum Major Gale Olson directs the Marching Tiger Band during halftime festivities.



Elba Tiger defensive backs Jannerius Davis (11) and Rell Kelley (24) hold on as a Pike County running back fights for extra yardage in last week's regular season finale. The Tigers will travel to Southern Choctaw this week in the opening round of the 2A playoffs.

Drop regular season finale

Elba Tigers pounded by Pike 55-7

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by Laura Baxley

The Elba Tigers fell behind 28-0 in the first quarter and never recovered as they fell to the Pike County Bulldogs 55-7 on a cold Friday night at Elba's Tiger Stadium.

The loss left the Tigers with a 5-5 record, while the Bulldogs improved their record to 10-0 with the win.

Pike County received the opening kick and after an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt began its first possession at its own 44-yardline. Pike County was flagged for holding on two of its first four plays, but overcame the penalties and needed 10 plays to get on the scoreboard. A key play early in the drive was an 11-yard run by James Jackson on fourth down and five at the Elba 46, while the touchdown came on an 11-yard Jackson run around the right end. The extra-point try failed, but with 7:04 remaining in the first quarter the Bulldogs were on the scoreboard and owned a 6-0 lead.

Elba moved to midfield on its first possession on a 16-yard pass from Brandon Kelley to Reymar Rogers, but were also backed up by penalty flags and then saw the possession come to an end on a fumble back at the Elba 34-yardline.

Pike County needed only one play to add to its lead after the Tiger turnover as James Jackson got the call and sprinted 34 yards for a touchdown. A two-point try failed, but Pike County's lead was up to 12-0 with 4:06 left in the opening quarter of play.

Pike County got the ball back

at its own 44-yardline following an Elba punt and this time needed two plays to cover the 56 yards to the endzone. Jarmon Barrow scored the touchdown on a 58-yard dash through the middle of the Elba defense, and Alonzo Foster ran in the two-point conversion as the Bulldogs' lead went to 20-0 with 2:38 left in the quarter.

Pike County began its next possession at its own 45-yardline after Elba failed to convert on a fourth down and ten, and four plays later the Bulldogs were right back in the endzone with their fourth touchdown of the first quarter. James Jackson gained all 55 yards of the drive on three carries and scored the touchdown on a 30-yard dash on the final play of the quarter, while Darrell Reynolds ran in the two-point conversion as Pike County's lead went to 28-0 with 40 showing on the clock.

The Bulldogs next possession began at the Pike County 20-yardline after an Elba punt and this time the 'Dogs marched 80 yards in 11 plays and overcame 25 yards in penalties to add to their lead. James Jackson and Darrell Reynolds combined for 54 yards on nine carries during the long scoring march, while the touchdown came on a 13-yard pass from Alonzo Foster to Kevin Marshall. Roderick Griffin kicked the extra-point and with 4:20 remaining in the second quarter Pike County's lead stood at 35-0.

Pike County added to its lead on the Bulldogs first possession of the third quarter as the 'Dogs marched 63 yards in seven plays to get back into the endzone. James Jackson gained 73 yards on five carries to spark the long

scoring march and scored the touchdown on a 2-yard run, and even though the extra-point try failed, the Bulldogs were in complete command with a 41-0 lead with 7:27 remaining in the third quarter.

Elba put the ball in play at midfield late in the third quarter after an unsuccessful fake punt by Pike County and finally got on the scoreboard as on first down Brandon Kelley rolled away from a heavy rush and found LaRay Williams streaking down the sidelines and connected with the senior Tiger receiver for a 50-yard touchdown toss. Rell Kelley added the extra-point and with 3:41 left in the third quarter Pike County's lead stood at 41-7.

Pike County responded to the Tiger touchdown with another long scoring march as the Bulldogs drove 75 yards in 12 plays and ate up over seven minutes off the clock. The Bulldogs were flagged for 25 yards in penalties during the scoring march, but easily overcame the penalties and extended their lead when Jarmon Barrow bulled over from 2 yards out. Griffin booted the extra-point as the Bulldogs' lead moved to 48-7 with 8:10 remaining in the fourth quarter.

Pike County's final touchdown of the night came on a 71-yard drive that lasted only three plays. Jerel Foster gained 57 yards on two carries and scored the touchdown on a 29-yard dash up the middle, and Griffin added the extra-point to give the Bulldogs the win by the final score of 55-7.

Kikko Logan gained 9 yards on seven carries to lead the Elba ground game, while Trey Martin

added 7 yards on two carries. Brandon Kelley connected on 5 of 24 passes for 119 yards, with LaRay Williams pulling in one pass for 50 yards and a touchdown. Reymar Rogers had 2 catches for 41 yards and Logan added 28 yards in 2 receptions. The Elba defense was led by Kikko Logan with 9 tackles and a pass interception, while Chase E. Boutwell added 7 tackles. Jannerius Davis and Matthew Brunson both added 6 tackles and Lewis Johnson and Rell Kelley had 5 stops apiece.

James Jackson gained 247 yards on 20 carries and scored 4 touchdowns to lead Pike County, while Jarmon Barrow added 82 yards and 2 touchdowns on 8 carries and Jerel Foster gained 70 yards and scored one touchdown on 3 carries. Alonzo Foster completed 6 of 14 passes for 68 yards, with Kevin Marshall pulling in 2 passes for 26 yards and one touchdown.

STATISTICS

EL		PC
7	1st Downs	28
19-1	Rushes-Yds.	49-444
119	Passing Yds.	82
120	Total Offense	526
5-24-2	Passes	7-16-1
2/1	Fumbles/Lost	1/0
6-33	Punts-Ave.	1-20
8-99	Penalties-Yds.	17-160

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SPORTS

Improves record to 9-1

Brantley tames Tigers 19-14

Story by Greg Brunson
Photos by Greg Brunson and Mike Capps

The Brantley Bulldogs claimed the Crenshaw County football championship Thursday night with a hard fought 19-14 win over the Luverne Tigers, in Luverne.

The Bulldog offense scored on its first possession of the second half to erase a 14-13 half-time deficit, while the defense held the Tigers' Fred Hawkins to only 55 yards rushing.

As the game opened Brantley put together an 8 play drive that covered 74 yards. Edgar Walker completed a 12-yard touchdown pass to Shane Corley to climax the early scoring march and Marcus Owens booted the extra-



Brantley's Corey Latham (44) applies heavy pressure to Luverne quarterback Ryan Brown (7) in last week's 19-14 Bulldog win over the Tigers.



Brantley's Coach David Lowery talks with his team during a break in the action last week in the Bulldogs' big 19-14 win over Luverne. The Bulldogs will host J.U. Blacksher Friday night in the opening round of the 1A state football playoffs.

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STATISTICS

B	L
15 1st Downs	11
45-203 Rushes-Yds.	27-103
102 Passing Yds.	97
305 Total Offense	200
69-0 Passes	7-20-1
6-8 Return Yds.	103
1 Fumbles Lost	2
6-50 Penalties-Yds.	8-60
3-20 Punts-Ave.	3-39

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point to give the 'Dogs a 7-0 lead with 8:08 remaining in the first quarter. Key plays in the scoring drive were a 23-yard completion from Walker to Corley and a 26-yard run by Chris Booker.

Luverne's first possession of the night ended with a Marcus Owens fumble recovery at the Brantley 48-yardline, and the Bulldogs wasted little time cashing in on the turnover as Edgar Walker went back to the air and again connected with Shane Corley, this time with a 41-yard touchdown toss. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 1:54 left in the first quarter the Bulldogs were already on top 13-0.

D.J. McCrary returned the ensuing kickoff 64 yards to set the Tigers up at the Brantley 16-yardline, and three plays later Luverne was on the scoreboard as Ryan Brown hit Rod Rutledge with a 10-yard touchdown pass. Brezman Lowery booted the extra-point and with :16 remaining in the first quarter Luverne had cut the Bulldog lead to 13-7.

Luverne put the ball in play at the Brantley 49-yardline after a short punt and quickly drove down field to grab the lead. A 25-yard run by Fred Hawkins moved the ball deep into Bulldog territory, while on the seventh play of the possession Ryan Brown again spotted Rod Rutledge in the Brantley secondary and hooked up with the speedy Tiger receiver on a 26-yard touchdown toss. Brantley appeared to have the pass play well defended, but the Bulldog defender mistimed his jump and Rutledge pulled in the pass for his second score of the half.

Lowery tacked on the extra-point and with 8:41 remaining in the second quarter Luverne was on top 14-13.

Luverne began its next possession at its own 47-yardline after a short 25-yard punt and

drove to the Brantley 15-yardline. Two penalties stalled the march, however, and the Bulldogs turned back the Tiger scoring opportunity.

The Tigers threatened once again as Ryan Brown attempted four passes from the Brantley 22-yardline. The first three passes missed their target, while the fourth and final pass was picked off by Jon Tyson in the endzone with just seconds remaining in the half.

Brantley got the ball at its own 33-yardline on its initial possession of the third quarter and ate up almost the entire stanza on a 15 play drive that would result in a Bulldog touchdown. The final 14 plays of the drive all came on the ground and James Pittman bulled over from a yard out as the Bulldogs regained the lead. A pass for two failed and scared the Bulldog faithful as quarterback Edgar Walker was hit out of bounds and laid on the ground near the fence for several minutes. The senior signal caller returned to the Brantley sidelines on his own power and the Bulldogs were back in front 19-14.

On Brantley's next possession Pittman ran for 21 yards on a first down carry to move the Bulldogs into Tiger territory. Moments later Shane Corley made a circus catch for a 25-yard gain that moved the 'Dogs to the Luverne 20-yardline. A holding penalty and a 10-yard loss on a sack slowed the march, however, and Brantley failed to take advantage of the scoring opportunity as its lead remained at 19-14.

Luverne headed back downfield on its ensuing possession and in 8 plays drove from its own 26-yardline to the Brantley 34. Jon Tyson ended the Tiger threat when he pounced on a fumbled lateral way back at the Tiger 46-yardline.

Fred Hawkins got the ball back for the Tigers with a fumble recovery at the Luverne 25, and the Tigers quickly moved to a first down at the 41. On fourth down and eight Luverne's Ryan Brown scrambled out of the pocket and tried to reach the first down marker, but was stopped short on an open field tackle by Thad Frazier and Brantley regained possession with just 1:08 left on the clock.

Jeffery Daniels powered his way for 15 yards and a first down on the game's next three plays as the Bulldogs ran out the clock and claimed the 19-14 win.

The defensive front of Scotty Abadilla, Corey Latham and Marcus Owens all had big games for the Bulldogs and kept pressure on Luverne quarterback Ryan Brown throughout the game. Jeffery Daniels, Dexter Daniels, Rick Wiley and Shane Corley all made big plays and helped slow down the powerful Luverne running attack.

James Pittman was the game's leading rusher with 99 yards on 16 carries, while Chris Booker added 55 yards on 13 totes and Jeffery Daniels gained 50 yards on 10 carries. Edgar Walker completed 6 of 9 passes for 102 yards, with Shane Corley pulling in 4 passes for 101 yards. Fred Hawkins led Luverne with 55 yards on 15 carries.



Zion Chapel running back Hunter Wise (34) fights for tough yardage in the middle in last week's big 47-0 win over J.F. Shields. The Rebels upped their record to 6-4 with the win and this week will travel to Millry in the opening round of the 1A playoffs.



Zion Chapel players and cheerleaders meet on the sidelines after Friday night's final home game of the regular season against J.F. Shields.

For 6th win of season

Rebels pummel Panthers 47-0

Statistics and photos by Harry White

"Who's next?"

That was the chant coming from the Zion Chapel Rebels and their fans Friday night as the clock reached :00 on the Rebels' 47-0 demolition of the J.F. Shields Panthers.

Zion Chapel managed only one first down on its initial possession of the game, but got the ball right back on a pass interception by the Rebels' Abe Childs at the J.F. Shields 26-yardline and this time quickly cashed in on the turnover as the fourth play of the possession Childs connected with Byron McWaters on a 15-yard scoring strike. Logan Carnley kicked the extra-point and with 7:38 remaining in the first quarter Zion Chapel was on its way with an early 7-0 lead.

The Rebels put the ball in play at their own 44-yardline late in the first quarter after a Panther punt and drove 50 yards in six plays to add to their lead. A 23-yard run by Kelsey Roberts got the drive off to a fast start, while the score came on a 9-yard dash by Abe Childs. Childs added the two-point conversion and with 11:31 remaining in the second quarter Zion Chapel owned a 15-0 advantage.

Zion Chapel got the ball back at the J.F. Shields 29-yardline on a fumble recovery by the Rebels' Stetson Petty and for the second time in the half the Rebels turned a Panther turnover into points. Hunter Wise gained 17 yards on 3 carries to help the Rebels head toward the goal line, while the score came on a 5-yard pass from Abe Childs to Byron McWaters. Logan Carnley added the extra-point and with 9:06 left in the second quarter the Rebels' lead was up to 22-0.

Zion Chapel recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff at the J.F. Shields 31-yardline and this time needed only two plays to cash in on the Panther turnover. Hunter Wise moved the chains with an 11-yard gain on first down, while on the second play of the possession Abe Childs went back to the airways and this time completed a 28-yard

touchdown pass to Todd Grant. A two-point try failed, but it made little difference as the Rebels owned a 28-0 lead with 8:21 still left in the second quarter.

The Rebels next possession began at their own 27-yardline after a Panther punt and Zion Chapel needed only three plays to add to its lead as it covered the 73 yards on three running plays. Hunter Wise got the drive started with a 5-yard gain, while Byron McWaters followed with a 30-yard dash and the score came on a 38-yard scamper by Abe Childs. The extra-point failed. However, with 5:00 still remaining in the second quarter Zion Chapel was in command with a big 34-0 lead.



Zion Chapel's Todd Grant (28) pulls in a 20-yard touchdown pass in the Rebels' easy 47-0 win over J.F. Shields last week at Zion Chapel.

Zion Chapel's Jacob Legg recovered a Panther fumble at the J.F. Shields 13-yardline on the second play of the second half and the Rebels quickly cashed in on the turnover as they covered the distance in four plays. Byron McWaters scored the touchdown on a 10-yard run and Logan Carnley booted the extra-point as the Zion Chapel lead went to 41-0 with 4:42 remaining in the third quarter.

Zion Chapel's Buddy Parker pounced on a Panther fumble at the J.F. Shields 28-yardline on the next Panther possession and the Rebels marched into the endzone for their final score of the night. Joey Jones gained 28 yards on three carries and scored the touchdown on a 10-yard run to score the final points of the game as the Rebels posted the lopsided 47-0 win.

Abe Childs gained 69 yards and scored 2 touchdowns on 9 carries and completed 4 of 9 passes for 47 yards and 3 touchdowns to spark the Zion Chapel offense, while Byron McWaters gained 51 yards and scored 1 touchdown on 7 carries and caught 3 passes for 27 yards and 2 touchdowns. Hunter Wise added 55 yards on 10 carries.

STATISTICS

ZC	JFS
16 1st Downs	2
35-237 Rushes-Yds.	20-36
47 Passing Yds.	0
280 Total Offense	36
4-10-1 Passes	0-2-1
0 Fumbles Lost	4
0-00 Penalties-Yds.	2-10

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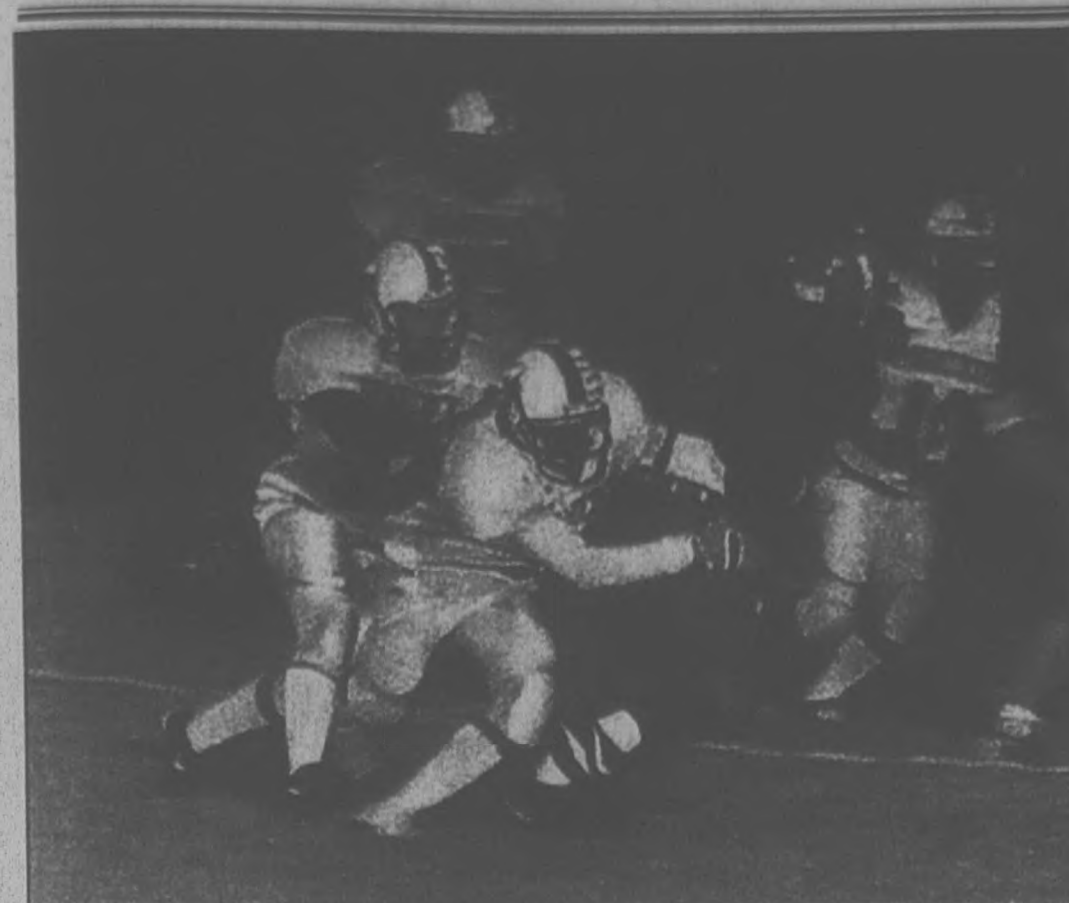
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NO WHERE TO RUN... A Kinston Bulldog running back tries to reach the corner, but finds no where to go as a Gamecock defender closes in to make the stop in last week's 46-0 New Brockton win.

In Gamecock coach Shannon Clark's final game

Gamecocks explode early to bury Bulldogs 46-0

Statistics by Scott Johnson and Michael Jerkins
Photos by Mary Johnson and Michael Jerkins

The Kinston Bulldogs hosted the New Brockton Gamecocks Friday night in the final game of the season for both teams and on the chilly night in late October the fans and players alike yearned for August when there was still much football to play and playoff hopes loomed big.

Kinston received the opening kickoff and despite a pair of Gamecock penalties could not sustain a drive. An option to Robert Yates combined with a face mask penalty gave the Bulldogs a first down, while a Brad Elmore punt nailed the Gamecocks inside the 10-yardline.

The New Brockton offense struck quickly as three carries by Sheridan Foster resulted in 40 yards in gains. Justin West reached the 33-yardline for another first down, and on the next play Foster again got the call and this time raced up the middle 33 yards for the first points of the night. Foster also tacked on the two-point conversion and the Gamecocks were on top early 8-0.

Kinston put the ball in play at its own 26-yardline to begin its next possession, but on first down the Bulldogs could not connect on a pitch-out and New Brockton's Justin West scooped up the Bulldog bobble and returned it 26 yards for another New Brockton touchdown. West added the two-point conversion and with 7:05 remaining in the first quarter the Gamecocks were already in command with a 16-0 lead.

Carries by Lee McCrummen and Robert Yates were not enough to move the chains and Brad Elmore again came in to punt. On a night when little went right for the Bulldogs the line drive punt careened off an official and New Brockton regained possession near midfield.

Derrick Cook picked up a first down around left end to reach the 37-yardline, while Sheridan Foster broke through the left side of the line and rambled 33 yards for his second score of the night. Foster got back in the endzone on the two-point conversion and the Gamecocks were now in com-

plete command with a 24-0 advantage.

New Brockton's defense came up big again on its next series, and after dropping Kinston for a 7-yard loss on first down, Nathan Foster picked off a Bulldog pass to put the Gamecock offense back in business. Jonathan Edwards prevented a touchdown pass on first down and Christopher Cosby dropped Sheridan Foster after a short gain on second.

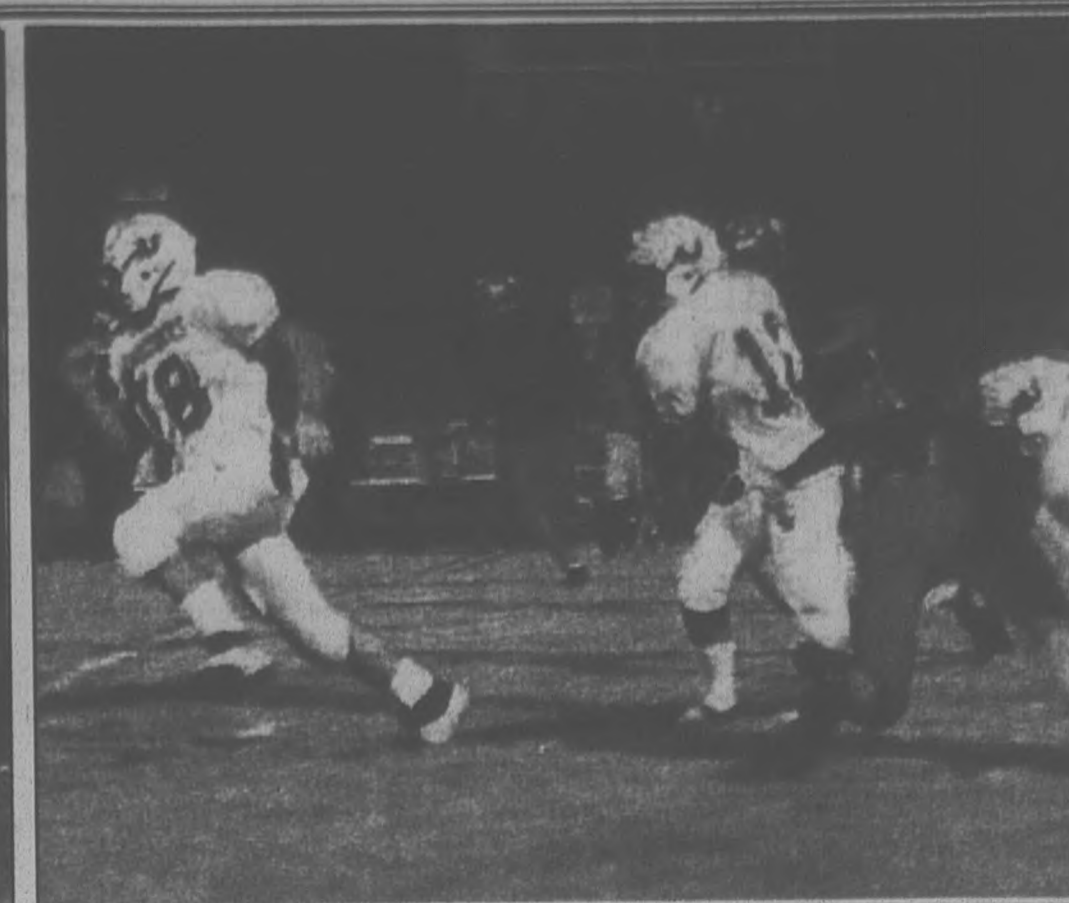
However, Justin West got the call on third down and moved the chains to keep the drive alive. Derrick Cook later scored on a 27-yard dash and Foster ran in the two-point conversion as the Gamecocks' lead increased to 30-0 at the end of the first quarter.

A John Moss reception and a pass interference penalty helped the Bulldogs reach the 36-yardline on their next possession, but the drive bogged down and ended in another punt by Brad Elmore.

Derrick Cook and Sheridan Foster took turns carrying the football on New Brockton's ensuing possession and led the Gamecocks to a first down and goal at the Kinston 6-yardline. Justin West drove in for his second touchdown of the half and Heath Danford kicked the extra-point as New Brockton moved on top 39-0.

Sheridan Foster fielded the second half kickoff and gave the Gamecocks excellent field position near midfield. Stops by the Bulldogs' Brad Elmore and Jonathan Edwards slowed the Gamecock march, but on third down Justin West broke loose and gave New Brockton a first down at the Kinston 23. Sheridan Foster found the endzone from there for the final score of the night, and Heath Danford added the extra-point as the Gamecocks moved ahead 46-0.

Carries by Lee McCrummen picked up an initial first down on Kinston's next possession, but the Bulldogs were stopped on a fourth down play near midfield. A big fourth down stop by the Bulldogs' Anthony Weeks gave the ball back to Kinston, and the Bulldogs threatened on their ensuing possession when a run by Rob Sanders and an unportsuntable conduct penalty gave the 'Dogs a first down in the New Brockton 24-yardline. Brock Barlette and Matt Odum picked up short yardage on the ground, but the scoring threat



New Brockton's Derrick Cook (10) follows teammate Adam Crosby (78) and sees room to run in last week's 46-0 win over Kinston. Cook gained 81 yards on 10 carries and scored 1 touchdown in the big cross-county rivalry.

great tonight. It has been great coaching here at New Brockton, but unfortunately this was my last game as the head coach of the Gamecocks. I have spent 18 out of the last 22 years of my life here in New Brockton."

Sheridan Foster gained 173 yards on 12 carries and scored 3 touchdowns to lead New Brockton, while Justin West added 55 yards on 7 carries and scored 1 touchdown and Derrick Cook gained 81 yards on 8 carries and also scored 1 touchdown. Kinston was led on the ground by Lee McCrummen with 18 yards on 8 carries.

New Brockton's Coach Shannon Clark said after the game, "It was good to end the season on a winning note. It is always good to win a rival game like this and the guys played

keeper by Jacobs on an option. Kinston was unable to punch the ball across the goal line, however, and at the final horn the Gamecocks were celebrating the big 46-0 win.

Kinston's Coach Larry Cotney was disappointed with the loss, but stated, "We were hoping to be competitive this season, and as a whole I believe we were."

New Brockton's Coach Shannon Clark said after the game, "It was good to end the season on a winning note. It is always good to win a rival game like this and the guys played

The Gamecock defense was led by Justin West with 14 tackles, one sack and a fumble return for a touchdown, while Derrick Cook added 9 tackles and Ted Eubanks and Adam Crosby both made 7 stops.

STATISTICS

NB	K
10 1st Downs	8
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8 Passing Yds.	18
323 Total Offense	68
1-2-0 Passes	3-12-0

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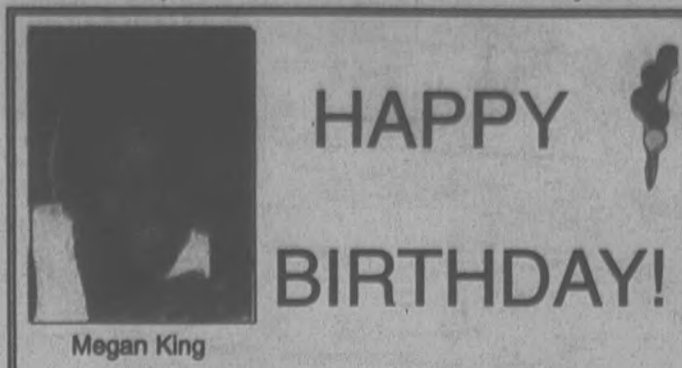
Local school board member attends statewide training session

School board members and superintendents from around the state attended a two-day training seminar recently to address how to engage their respective communities.

Annette Griswold, a member of the Coffee County Board of

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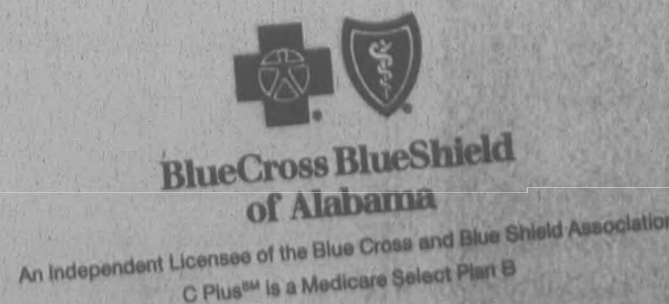
If you currently have **C Plus™** with PMD, you can keep it. If you want to buy Medicare Drug coverage, you can choose from any one of the sixteen different companies offering plans in Alabama. You can enroll from November 15, 2005 through May 15, 2006. You will need to decide which plan best fits your needs. More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is available through the "Medicare & You 2006" handbook from Medicare or from the following:

- Visit www.medicare.gov for personalized help
- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see your copy of the Medicare & You handbook for their telephone number)
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you are interested in **C Plus™** with PMD and would like to enroll, please call 1-800-315-7900. Carefully review and compare the different Medicare Drug Plans before you decide which plan is best for you.

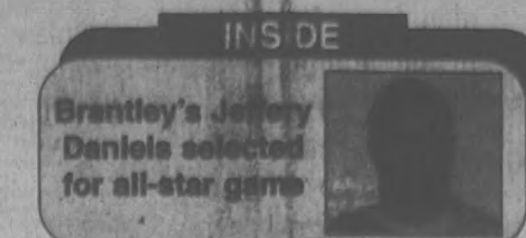
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During New Brockton Town Council meeting

Christmas pageant committee makes donation to N.B. High School library

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council held a routine, but upbeat monthly meeting Monday evening, Nov. 7, as many of the reports offered positive news.

Mayor Charles Cole said the

downtown revitalization committee met recently and one of the main topics of discussion was getting a grocery store back in downtown New Brockton. He said many ideas and opinions were offered, and the consensus of the group was that New Brockton must have a grocery

store. Cole said the group also looked at the recent announcement for construction of a new subdivision named Mayberry USA. Cole said he is excited about the possibilities Mayberry USA will bring to the community, he hopes the people of New Brockton will help "sell it" to those looking to locate to New Brockton and Coffee County.

Cole said people looking to move to the area will be wanting to know what New Brockton has to offer.

"We have good schools, good churches and good folks," he said.

Town clerk Annette Williams said she and council member Jeffery White recently attended an economic summit where state officials discussed current economic development for the State of Alabama as well as things planned down the road.

Williams said the governor also attended this meeting, and he really stressed the importance of education in regards to Alabama's future growth.

"You can see Alabama is gearing up," Williams said. "I think New Brockton should be right there with them."

Mayor Cole announced the town has received a \$138,000 demolition grant in which he referred to as a "plus for New Brockton." The mayor said the grant will allow for the demolition of abandoned homes and clean up of the property.

"This is another grant we're

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Health departments administering influenza vaccine

County health departments in Alabama began administering influenza vaccine Tuesday, Nov. 1, to anyone wishing to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill from flu regardless of risk status.

The shots will be given through the end of influenza season while supplies last.

"Influenza vaccine is the best way to prevent infection from the flu virus and the complications associated with it," said Dr. Donald Williamson, state health officer. "Persons must be

re-vaccinated each year because the flu viruses change every year. Because of staggered shipping methods used by the manufacturer, health department clinics have run out of vaccine numerous times. We anticipate a total of 16,870 doses to be delivered to county health clinics statewide this week. Late in November we anticipate receiving additional flu vaccine which will probably be administered in clinics in December. The month of December is not too late to be vaccinated to be protected during the peak months of influenza."

Immunization rates for influenza remain low, and illness and death from the disease remain high.

Most people who die from influenza are 65 years old and older. Children younger than 2 are as likely to be hospitalized as those age 65 and above.

It takes about two weeks after getting the flu shot for the vaccine to offer maximum protection.

The components of the vaccine for the 2005-06 influenza year include A/New Caledonia (H1N1), A/California (H3N2) and B/Shanghai antigens.

Contact a health care provider or county health department for more information. An updated schedule of influenza clinics to be held in county health departments can be found on the Alabama Department of Public Health Web site at www.adph.org/immunization, or by calling your county health department.

CELEBRATING RETIRED TEACHERS' DAY...Elba Mayor James Grimes made it official Monday afternoon of this week when he signed a resolution proclaiming Tuesday, Nov. 15, as Retired Teachers' Day. Mayor Grimes and the Elba City Council encourage all residents to join them in paying tribute to all retired educators on that day. In signing the resolution, Grimes said retired educators throughout Alabama are deserving of the highest praise and recognition the state can bestow for devotion to their profession. Retired Teachers' Day is celebrated in conjunction with American Education Week (Nov. 13-19, 2005). The day was established demonstrating honor and appreciation to retired educators who continue to contribute to the community with their services. Joining Mayor Grimes for the signing of the resolution were (from left) Judy Killingsworth, president, and Sylvia Padgett, treasurer, of the Coffee County Retired Educators' Association.



TOLEDO MOLDING AND DIE INC. employees gave \$23,678 to the American Red Cross for the benefit of Hurricane Katrina victims. While the donations were from employees at all six Toledo plants in the United States, company President Don Harbaugh was in Elba on Monday of this week to give the good news to representatives of the Coffee County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Harbaugh personally matched the donations of the employees. Red Cross Chapter Board Chairman Freddy Grase accepted the donation. On hand with him were board members Eddie Vaughan and Ben Terrell. The company employees about 1,000 in all the plants. Approximately 100 currently work in the relatively new Elba plant. Pictured above in the working part of the plant immediately after the presentation are Terrell, Grase, Harbaugh, plant manager Keith Regle, Representative Terry Spicer and Vaughan. Also present were Elba Mayor James Grimes and Chamber of Commerce director Kaye Whitworth.

County BOE looks at new option for substitute teachers

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education held its annual public meeting Thursday evening, Nov. 3, and during the meeting re-elected board member Charles Walker as chairman and board member Danny Jernigan as vice-chairman for Fiscal Year 2006.

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram asked board members for permission to allow her to negotiate a contract with Kelly Educational Services to provide substitute teachers for the school system.

Ingram said she believes an association, with Kelly Educational Services would provide a win-win situation for the county's school system. One big positive the superintendent said she can foresee is better trained substitutes for the school system. Ingram said the substitutes would be paid through

Kelly Educational Services which would keep unemployment from being filed against the school system. Also, she said using Kelly Educational Services would save faculty time in that they would no longer have to spend valuable time searching for a substitute.

Ingram said a number of school systems are showing interest in using Kelly Educational Services for substitutes.

Board member Danny Jernigan expressed a concern that he did not want the school principals to loose control of who is in the classrooms. Ingram assured him they would not. She said the principals would have the authority to keep certain substitutes from coming to the schools again if one proves to be ineffective.

Board members gave their approval for Ingram to proceed with negotiating a contract with

Kelly Educational Services. Ingram noted the contract would be developed on a yearly basis with services able to begin at any time. She said the contract would cover all substitute employees except bus drivers and nurses.

Dr. Ingram told board members the school system will again this year receive at-risk funding allocated by the state. She said the Coffee County School System will receive \$75,000 in which 20 percent of those funds are to go to local organizations supported by the school system.

Ingram suggested the school system continue to support the AIM project and Coffee County Family Services Center. She said the 20 percent or \$14,966 would be distributed with the AIM project receiving \$5,000 and Coffee County Family

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Jimmy Holley seeks reelection to Alabama Senate

Senator Jimmy Holley recently announced he will seek reelection to the Alabama Senate.

Holley is completing his second term in the Senate representing District 31, which includes Coffee, Covington, Dale and Houston Counties. Holley has also served five terms in the House of Representatives.

"To represent District 31 in the state senate is a great honor, and to be encouraged by so many friends to seek re-election is truly humbling," said Holley. "I am running for re-election so

I can continue serving Alabama in order to continue making progress in education, recruiting new jobs and working to keep our neighborhoods and schools safe. We all live in a great community and I am working every day to keep it that way."

"I am proud of the accomplishments our schools have made in providing a quality education for our

students. I will continue to listen to and work with parents as I seek to improve their children's learning environments and to prioritize education dollars so they reach the classroom. This will include adequate pay for teachers and support personnel as well as providing classroom resources so that teachers can do their jobs."

"I will continue to work hard with others in Southeast Alabama to recruit industry and create new jobs. Adding more highly skilled private sector jobs, in addition to our well-trained and educated state employee workforce, is good for Southeast Alabama and is good for businesses located in this area."

"Prosperity for our families and their safety depends upon improvements being made in our road system. Highway 84 is being expanded to four lanes

and I will continue to promote the much needed widening of Highways 167, 331, and 55 to four lanes as well. Adequate transportation, such as improving 231 and building the I-10 connector, is integral to job growth. Better roads provide a measure of safety for our families' needs and for our school buses. I recognize that the basic principle of having a good safe road system is a necessity for the well-being of our families and business."

"For the past several years I have promoted, in cooperation with others, the building of community senior citizen centers throughout District 31 as well as helping fund and secure slots for meals for the seniors and meals on wheels for those who are homebound. Maintenance of these senior center and the services they provide to our seniors will continue to be in the forefront of my efforts."

"I want to thank my family and the great people of the Wiregrass who have allowed me to represent our area in the state senate," said Holley. "My commitment to the people of my district is that I will continue working to improve the quality of life for all of us who are lucky enough to call the Wiregrass home."

Area Happenings

THE NEW BROCKTON FOOTBALL TEAM enters the second round of playoffs this week with the Birmingham Bulldogs hosting Sweet Water. Kickoff for the game is set for 7 p.m.

IN HONOR OF THE SACRIFICES MADE BY VETERANS...the City of Enterprise is hosting a Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony Thursday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m., sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 9, that will take place at the Wall of Freedom Monument which is located in the Enterprise Recreational Complex on Hwy. 167 North. The public is invited to attend.

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICE will be closed Friday, Nov. 11, in observance of Veterans Day. There will be standby crews for any emergency with water, electric, gas or sewer. To report an emergency, call the Elba Police Department at 897-2331.

THE TOWN OF NEW BROCKTON OFFICE will be closed Friday, Nov. 11, in observance of Veterans Day. For any emergency, call the New Brockton Police Department at 898-5579.